

Welcoming the
ROMAN
MISSAL
THIRD EDITION
Deepen, Nurture, Celebrate

**Implementation Information
for Priests and Deacons
of the Diocese of Stockton**



June 20, 2011

Dear Priests and Deacons of the Diocese of Stockton,

Enclosed you will find information you need for effectively implementing the Third Edition of the Roman Missal, including:

- Publishers of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal
- Ordering the Roman Missal
- The Ordinary for the Assembly
- Selection of Musical Mass Settings
- Proposed Implementation Resources

This information is also available at <http://stocktondiocese.org/Liturgy-and-Worship/Roman-Missal-New-Edition>.

I am confident that a straight forward implementation in each parish will allow for the clergy and the laity to have the opportunity to “Deepen, Nurture, Celebrate” the mass with increased attention. To that end, I want to make two points for your careful consideration.

The first is that the words of the Mass are only half of the celebration. The attitude, posture and gesture of the celebrant and assembly are critical in fostering the reverence and active participation that allows the liturgy to be efficacious. This is the opportune time to review the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* and compare it carefully to how mass is celebrated at your parish. You can find resources for this process at <http://stocktondiocese.org/Liturgy-and-Worship/Sacraments/Eucharist>.

The second consideration is that all parishes will need new music for this implementation. I expect all priests of the Diocese to ensure that your parish/mission(s)/ministry is in compliance with all copyright laws. You are to ensure that there are original copies of music for all musicians. You must also ensure that every piece of music has enough paid for copies for the assembly, or an up to date reprint license on file for the number of copies made. Further information on ensuring following of copyright law can be found at <http://stocktondiocese.org/Liturgy-and-Worship/Musical-Resources/Music-Worship-Aids-and-Copyright/Copyright-Law>. This is a serious matter that must be attended to in every parish immediately.

With your continued careful attention to the implementation of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal, I am confident that this process will be of benefit to the people of the Diocese of Stockton.

With every good wish, I remain,

Fraternally Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen E. Blaire". The signature is written in a cursive style and is preceded by a small cross symbol.

Most Reverend Stephen E. Blaire
Roman Catholic Bishop of Stockton

Publishers of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal

Catholic Book Publishing Corp.

77 West End Road

Totowa, NJ 07512

Web: <http://www.catholicbookpublishing.com>

Publications: *Chapel Edition* - \$89 / *Altar Edition* - \$129 / *Deluxe Leather Edition* - \$159

The Liturgical Press

Saint John's Abbey

P.O. Box 7500

Collegeville, MN 56321-7500

Web: <http://www.litpress.org>

Publications: *Ritual Edition* - \$169.95 / *Chapel Edition* - \$119.95

There is a 30% discount for those who pre-order online through July 1, 2011.

Liturgy Training Publications (LTP)

3949 South Racine Avenue

Chicago, IL 60609-2523

Web: <http://www.ltp.org>

Publications: *Deluxe Edition* - \$500 / *Church Edition* - \$175 / *Chapel Edition* - \$95

There is a 40% discount for those who order in a single order through the Office for Worship.*

Magnificat

P.O. Box 822

Yonkers, NY 10702

Web: <http://www.magnificat.com>

Publications: *Altar Edition* - \$169 / *Chapel Edition* - \$79 (prices good until October 31, 2011)

Midwest Theological Forum

1420 Davey Road

Woodridge, IL 60517

Web: <http://theologicalforum.org>

Publications: *Leather Edition* - \$499 / *Classical Edition* - \$350

USCCB Publishing

3211 Fourth Street NE

Washington, DC 20017

Web: <http://www.usccbpublishing.org>

Publications: *Altar Edition* - \$169 / *Chapel Edition* - \$115

There is a 25% discount for those who pre-order by June 30, 2011.

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World Library Publications

3708 River Road, Suite 400

Franklin, IL 60131

Web: <http://www.wlp.jspaluch.com>

Publications: *Deluxe Edition* - \$395 / *Church Edition* - \$195

There is a 30% discount for those who order in a single order through the Office for Worship.*

Ordering the Roman Missal

* Those wishing to order the LTP or World Library Publications editions of the Roman Missal and receive the offered group discount must send an email with:

Name
Parish
Shipping Address
Phone Number
Quantity and Version(s) desired

to vmeagher@stocktondiocese.org no later than **Monday, August 8, 2011.**

You will be billed the price of the missal plus shipping and tax.

For all other editions, priests, deacons and parishes are to place the order themselves.

Note: Pre-orders are currently being accepted. No copies of the Roman Missal will ship prior to October 1, 2011. If you pre-order, you can expect to receive your copy of the Roman Missal during the first two weeks of October.

The Ordinary for the Assembly

Every music and missalette publisher will provide all the materials you will need to help your assemblies speak and sing the new texts on that first weekend of their use, November 26 and 27, 2011. This will include Mass cards with the new spoken texts, missalettes with the new texts, and hymnals with new musical settings.

- If you use an annual worship aid, such as *Breaking Bread* or the Paluch seasonal missalettes, you will not need to purchase additional worship aids. The new texts and music will be included in these publications.
- If you use hardbound, permanent hymnals, you may need to purchase updated editions of those hymnals. The publishers are updating most of their hymnals in light of the new texts. In addition to having the assembly parts, they will also have the mass settings that will be approved for use after November 26, 2011.
- Many different publishers are offering “pew cards” for the assembly so that there is one card where people can see the responses. This might be an attractive option especially for daily masses, or for parishes that produce their own weekly, monthly or seasonal worship aids. Each of the publishers of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal has these resources available.
- Parishes that produce their own weekly, monthly or seasonal worship aids who would like to include the text of the people’s parts in their worship aids, must get copyright permission from ICEL. Liturgical texts are made available to publishers without distinction, on a non-exclusive basis. All requests for permission should be directed to the ICEL Secretariat, 1100 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 710, Washington, D.C., 20036, U.S.A. Phone: 202-347-0800; Fax: 202-347-1839; permission@eliturgy.org. Failure to obtain permission from ICEL for use of the text would be a violation of Federal Copyright Law and could lead to prosecution and fines.

Selection of Musical Mass Settings

Current musical settings of the mass will not be allowed after November 26, 2011. Publishers are offering new and revised mass settings for parishes to consider.

- GIA Publications has 12 new mass settings available at http://www.giamusic.com/sacred_music/new_mass_settings.cfm.
- OCP Music is offering 18 new mass settings at <http://www.ocp.org/newmasssettings/newsettings>.
- It is the recommendation from the Office for Worship that parishes use a new mass setting, rather than a revised mass setting. It is easier for people to learn new music than to “re-learn” music they have been singing for many years or even decades.
- The Office for Worship would like to invite music directors to a listening session to select two mass settings to recommend to the parishes of the Diocese. These would hopefully meet the needs of communities with large choirs, music groups, and musical accompaniment options, as well as the needs of communities that have a cantor and accompanist at mass. The Office for Worship would then commit that for the first two years of the implementation, all Diocesan liturgies would use one of these two mass settings.

Bishop Stephen E. Blaire has approved the gradual implementation of new musical settings during the Fall of 2011 for the Diocese of Stockton. Such implementation should not begin before **Sunday, September 25, 2011**. Primarily this affects the “Gloria,” the “Holy, Holy, Holy” and the Memorial Acclamations. In addition though, the new “Amen” that would go with a new mass setting could be introduced, and a sung setting of the penitential rite could be introduced if the parish intends on singing the penitential rite. **The changes to spoken responses and to the prayers proclaimed by the priest are not to begin until Sunday, November 27, 2011.** Gradual implementation of new mass settings should ease the strain on music ministers and the assembly.

Proposed Implementation Resources

Priests will be most in need of Homily Hints/Suggestions and study materials for the new missal. The following recommendations are made for their consideration:

- **<http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal/>**
The USCCB should be the main resource for priests preparing for implementation. On the website you will find FAQs as well as the presidential texts for all of the Advent and Christmas seasons. There is a section of General Resources that includes:
 - Articles
 - Background
 - Timeline
 - Videos
 - Documents
 - Reflections
 - Glossary
 - Further Reading
- **<http://www.revisedromanmissal.org/>**
This website from LTP offers homilies, free bulletin inserts/handouts that can be downloaded and passed out, as well as sample letters to mail to parishioners to let them know about the upcoming changes and the parish plans for implementation. These letters are in MS Word format to make them easy for parishes to download and edit for their use. Registration is required for this site, but there is no cost for its use.

For the people, parishes will need General Catechetical Resources, bulletin suggestions, Three-Minute Catechesis before Mass and a plan for the weeks leading up to the implementation. The above resources can meet the majority of these needs. Below is a suggested implementation plan for the weeks before the implementation:

- Parishes that are engaged in ARISE can choose to offer the session on the Missal to their small faith groups. This can be ordered directly from RENEW International and information has been sent to all parishes.
- Parish leaders should have a ten minute session on the Missal available to offer at the regular meetings of parish groups during October and November. This will allow people to hear about and see the changes in a small setting and ask any questions they may have.
- Parishes can choose to gradually teach and begin using the new sung mass parts beginning on Sunday, September 25, 2011. Introducing one new piece every few weeks should allow the assembly to be able to fully participate in the new sung responses beginning November 27.
- The week before the implementation, the priest should lead the entire assembly through “their parts” during the homily time. This includes singing the new mass settings, and practicing the spoken parts so that people have had a chance to speak everything aloud before November 27.

- All pastors should consider sending home a letter to parishioners in the weeks before the implementation to let people know “what they are going to hear.” Sample letters are available from LTP.
- Parishes that wish to order print resources from the USCCB or LTP for their priests, deacons or leaders, are encouraged to contact the Office for Worship to obtain discount pricing on these resources. All requests for these materials must be submitted by **Monday, August 8, 2011**. All orders must be placed by email to vmeagher@stocktondiocese.org and include the following information
 - Name
 - Parish
 - Shipping Address
 - Phone Number
 - Publisher, Quantity and Titles of materials desired

*We will faithfully participate in
the Church's liturgical life as the worship of God.*

*We will celebrate liturgies that inspire, unite
and transform us to carry out our baptismal mission
to "advance the peace and salvation of all the world,"
mirroring the zeal, energy and heart of Jesus.*

